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**USDA FOREST SERVICE
INTERMOUNTAIN REGION, R4
Bridger Teton National Forest
East Zone Assistant Fire Management Officer**

About the Position

The East Zone Fire Management Organization of the Bridger Teton National Forest will soon be filling a Zone Assistant Fire Management Officer- Operations (AFMO-OPS) position with a duty station located in either Big Piney or Pinedale, WY. This position serves as the AFMO-OPS for a zoned fire organization that covers two Districts, the Big Piney Ranger District and the Pinedale Ranger District. The position is a permanent full time position and will be advertised as a career ladder GS-0462-8/9. The position may be filled as a GS-8 with promotion potential to a GS-9 or filled immediately at the GS-9 grade level. Government housing may be available.

The primary purpose of this position is to provide operational oversight and planning of wildland fire management activities for the East Zone Fire Management Organization. The position directly supervises two engine modules, a Type 4 module stationed on the Big Piney R.D. and a Type 6 module stationed on the Pinedale R.D. Currently, the Type 4 engine is staffed with 4 permanent personnel and three seasonal personnel. The Type 6 engine is staffed with 4 permanent personnel, one apprentice, and 2 seasonal personnel. Good communication skills are essential to coordinate daily activities for engine modules stationed at two locations.

In addition, the position is responsible for assisting the Zone FMO in providing oversight to a progressive fire suppression and pre-suppression program, firewise program, and prescribed fire program. The East Zone of the Bridger-Teton National Forest considers a full range of management options for every fire adding to the challenge of the position. Performing as Duty Officer for the Zone in the absence of the ZFMO is a requirement of the position. Management of these programs and performance as Duty Officer requires skills in organization, supervision, budgeting, NEPA compliance, Wildland Fire Decision Support System (WFDSS) roles and responsibilities, and technical writing.

This position is categorized as a High Complexity Zone Assistant Fire Management Officer (ZAFMO) position that is subject to the Forest Service Fire Program Management (FS-FPM) Standard and Guide, as designated by the W.O. Fire and Aviation Management. DIVS and ICT3 or RXB2 or ASGS and ICT3 have been added as minimum qualification standards (MQS) for the position. The FS-FPM minimum qualification standards (MQS) for this position must be met prior to entrance into the position as a condition of hire.

This is a covered secondary firefighter position under the provisions of 5USC 8336 (c) and 8412 (d). Ninety (90) days of experience as a primary/rigorous wildland firefighter or equivalent experience is a requirement of the position. This position has been approved for secondary firefighter coverage under CSRS and FERS.

In accordance with USDA Department Regulation 4430-792-2, this position is a Testing Designated Position (TDP) under the USDA Drug Free Workplace Program and subject to pre-employment drug testing. All applicants selected for this position will be required to submit to a urinalysis to screen for illegal drug use prior to appointment. Incumbents of this position will be required to submit to a urinalysis on an ongoing random basis, after appointment as directed.

This position participates in wildland firefighting activities. Based on the type of work performed, TAKING and PASSING the WCT at the ARDUOUS level is a "condition of employment." The Arduous fitness (Pack) Test consists of a three (3) mile hike, within forty-five (45) minutes, while carrying a forty-five (45) pound pack.

The Bridger Teton National Forest

At 3,400,000 acres, the B-T is the second largest National Forest in the United States outside Alaska. It lies in Western Wyoming, adjoining Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Parks, Caribou-Targhee NF, Shoshone NF, High Desert District BLM and within the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, the largest remaining area of undeveloped land in the 48 conterminous United States. It is noted for its unusual scenery and natural features, large and diverse wildlife populations, and habitat for threatened and endangered species.

The Forest contains the headwaters of 4 major river basins: the Yellowstone (Missouri/Mississippi Basin); Snake (Columbia); Green (Colorado); and the Bear River (Great Basin). Seven major mountain ranges are found within the Forest Boundaries. These mountain ranges are part of the northern Rocky Mountains and include part of the striking Teton Range and Wind River Mountains.

The Forest, with its Supervisor's Office in Jackson, is composed of the Jackson, Blackrock, Pinedale, Big Piney, Greys River and Kemmerer Ranger Districts.

The East Zone of the Bridger Teton National Forest

The East Zone lies at the southeastern end of the Forest and is primarily comprised of the Western Wind River and Eastern Wyoming Range mountain ranges. The "Wind Rivers" are dominated by the Bridger Wilderness and draw visitors from around the world for its incredible alpine attractions and scenery. The Wind Rivers are managed out of the Pinedale R.D. office. The Eastern Wyoming Range is a wildlife rich mountain range known for its world class mule deer population, abundant elk populations, dispersed camping opportunities, and backcountry hiking trails. The Eastern Wyoming Range is managed out of the Big Piney R.D. office. All of the East Zone is within the borders of Sublette County, one of the largest and most remote counties in the state of Wyoming.

About the Community

Sublette county is a large and remote county nestled between two mountain ranges well known for its wide open spaces and rural western culture. Oil and Gas development, Ranching, and Tourism and Recreation are the major industries in the county. The county is comprised of three larger towns, Pinedale in the northern part of the county and Big Piney/Marbleton which set one mile apart in the southern end of the county. Several smaller communities exist throughout the county but most services are found in the three larger towns. If you cannot find what you need in the local area, four larger cities are within reasonable driving distance: Jackson Hole(75 miles), Rock Springs(100 miles), Idaho Falls, ID(130 miles), and Salt Lake City, UT(225 miles). If you enjoy recreating in the outdoors, Sublette county has something for you: hiking, skiing, mountain biking, hunting, fishing, boating, climbing, horseback riding, and snowmobiling are just a few of the more popular activities enjoyed by local residents.

Sublette county has benefitted from and has wisely utilized oil and gas development tax dollars to improve the services in the county. Pinedale and Big Piney/Marbleton have excellent school districts, health care clinics, library systems, and athletic centers. For more thorough information about Sublette county regarding home rentals, real estate, church services, things to do, etc. take a look at the following:

www.pinedaleonline.com

www.bigpiney.com

www.sublettechamber.com

Vacancy Announcement

The vacancy announcement for this position will be posted on the U.S. Government's official website for employment opportunities at www.usajobs.gov.

Outreach Response

Interested applicants, or those desiring further information, should contact Paul Hutta at (307) 367-5735 or email at phutta@fs.fed.us no later than November 18th, 2016.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN OUR VACANCY!